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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
MASAHITO OBATA : EXAMINER: LAMB, T.  
SERIAL NO: 09/809,302 :  
FILED: MARCH 16, 2001 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2622  
FOR: APPARATUS, METHOD AND :  
COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR  
PERFORMING IMAGE FORMATION

RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action of December 28, 2005, favorable reconsideration of this application, in view of the present response, is respectfully requested.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.